

SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATES OF APPROPRIATIONS,
DEPARTMENT OF STATE, 1939

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATES OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1939 AMOUNTING TO \$192,500, AND DRAFT OF A PROPOSED PROVISION PERTAINING TO AN EXISTING APPROPRIATION, FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

JANUARY 4, 1939.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed

THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, January 4, 1939.

THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress supplemental estimates of appropriations for the fiscal year 1939 amounting to \$192,500, and draft of a proposed provision pertaining to an existing appropriation, for the Department of State.

The details of these estimates and the proposed provision, the necessity therefor, and the reason for their transmission at this time are set forth in the letter of the Acting Director of the Bureau of the Budget, transmitted herewith, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully,

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

BUREAU OF THE BUDGET,
Washington, January 3, 1939.

The PRESIDENT,
The White House.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration supplemental estimates of appropriations for the fiscal year 1939

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amounting to \$192,500, and draft of a proposed provision pertaining to an existing appropriation, for the Department of State, as follows:

SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATES

Salaries, Foreign Service clerks, 1939----- \$42, 500

The appropriation for salaries, Foreign Service clerks, for the fiscal year 1939, is \$2,359,020, which was intended to cover an authorized strength of 1,705 clerks with salaries on an annual basis amounting to \$2,369,340, the difference of \$10,320 to be absorbed through lapses.

The Department advises that there are now 1,751 clerks, temporary and permanent, or 46 more than contemplated, and that the net requirements for clerks on the permanent roster during the current fiscal year will be \$2,343,720, leaving \$15,300 available for the employment of temporary clerks. It is estimated, however, that owing to special and emergency conditions abroad the obligations for temporary clerks will amount to at least \$57,800, leaving \$42,500 to be provided by a supplemental appropriation.

Contingent Expenses, Foreign Service, 1939----- \$140, 000

There was appropriated for contingent expenses, Foreign Service, for the fiscal year 1939, \$1,158,500, of which \$251,002 was allotted for telegraphing. Actual obligations for this purpose for the first five months of the current fiscal year, however, amount to \$166,319, and it is estimated that the requirements for the entire year will exceed the amount originally allotted by approximately \$140,000.

International Pacific Salmon Fisheries Commission, 1939----- \$10, 000

Article III of the convention signed May 26, 1930, between the United States and Canada, for the protection, preservation, and extension of the sockeye salmon fisheries of the Fraser River system, provides that the cost of all work done pursuant to this article, or to other articles of the convention, including removing or otherwise overcoming obstructions, that may be approved, shall be borne equally by the two Governments, and the said Governments agree to appropriate annually such sum of money as each may deem desirable for such work in the light of reports of the commission created by the convention.

The Department advises that Canada has appropriated \$25,000 for this purpose for the current fiscal year, and as the appropriation made by the United States is only \$15,000 an additional \$10,000 is requested to match the amount provided by Canada.

PROPOSED PROVISION PERTAINING TO AN EXISTING APPROPRIATION

Salaries of Ambassadors and Ministers.—The Department advises that the President has given his approval to the initiation of the steps necessary to raise the American legation in Colombia to the status of an embassy, coincident with the announcement by the Government of Colombia of the intention to change its diplomatic mission in the United States from a legation to an embassy, and that it is expected similar action will be taken very shortly with respect to Venezuela.

There is included in the appropriation for salaries of Ambassadors and Ministers for the fiscal year 1939, \$10,000 each for the salaries

of the Envoys Extraordinary and Ministers Plenipotentiary to Colombia and Venezuela, and it is proposed to make as much as may be necessary of that appropriation available for salaries of Ambassadors Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to these two countries at the rate of \$17,500 per annum each, which is the salary of the other Ambassadors.

The foregoing estimates of appropriation and the proposed provision are to meet contingencies which have arisen since the transmission of the Budget for the fiscal year 1939, and their approval is recommended.

Very respectfully,

D. W. BELL,
Acting Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

Estimate and supplemental estimates of appropriations required for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1939, by the Department of State

Detailed objects of expenditure	Total amount to be appropriated under each head of appropriation	Amount appropriated for the fiscal year for which the appropriation is requested
SALARIES, FOREIGN SERVICE CLERKS		
For an additional amount for salaries, Foreign Service clerks, fiscal year 1939, including the same objects specified under this head in the Department of State Appropriation Act, 1939 (52 Stat. 251)-----	\$42,500	\$2,359,020
CONTINGENT EXPENSES, FOREIGN SERVICE		
For an additional amount for contingent expenses, Foreign Service, fiscal year 1939, including the same objects specified under this head in the Department of State Appropriation Act, 1939 (52 Stat. 252)-----	140,000	1,158,500
INTERNATIONAL PACIFIC SALMON FISHERIES COMMISSION		
For an additional amount for International Pacific Salmon Fisheries Commission, fiscal year 1939, including the same objects specified under this head in the Department of State Appropriation Act, 1939, and including the purchase and exchange of one passenger-carrying automobile for official use in the field (52 Stat. 257)-----	10,000	15,000

DRAFT OF PROPOSED PROVISION PERTAINING TO THE APPROPRIATION "SALARIES OF AMBASSADORS AND MINISTERS, 1939"

So much as may be necessary of the appropriation for salaries of ambassadors and ministers contained in the Department of State Appropriation Act, 1939, shall be available for the salaries of ambassadors extraordinary and plenipotentiary to Colombia and Venezuela at the rate of \$17,500 per annum each (52 Stat. 249).

